FREDERICK COUNTY LIQUOR BOARD

Public Meeting Minutes Monday, May 9, 2011

Those Present: Mr. James E. McClellan, Chairman

Mr. Robert C. Snyder, Board Member Mr. Charles R. Cline, Board Member

Mr. Richard McCain, Assistant County Attorney

Ms. Kathy L. Vahle, Administrator

Mr. Harold C. DeLauter, Alcoholic Bev. Inspector Mrs. Sandra Rees, Administrative Specialist IV Mrs. Ashley Sklarew, Administrative Specialist IV

A Public Meeting was held at 12 E. Church Street, Frederick, Maryland, and was called to order at 8:00 am by Chairman McClellan.

- 1. **Volt Restaurant** Ms. Vahle received a request from this establishment to use their side courtyard for a special luncheon on June 9, 2011. This is not a part of their approved area. The Board approved as long as it meets with the regulations. The Inspector will follow up.
- 2. **Roast House Pub** This establishment originally requested to open by May 23, 2011 they are new requesting an extension until June 23, 2011 because they accidentally wrote the wrong target date down. The Board approved this request.
- 3. **The Main Cup** Ms. Vahle stated she received a request to put a pass through from the bar into the hallway so that they can better serve customers. They are making a hole through the wall and the contractor said it could be done in one day and they will be closed for one day. The Board approved this request.
- 4. **Maryland Ensemble Theatre** Ms. Vahle stated she received a request for an actor to come on stage with tassels and a thong during a production of Clockwork Orange. The regulations say that the license can be revoked if there is any nudity, with specific definition as to what constitutes nudity. The Board did not approve.
- 5. **Wine Festival/Farmers Market –** Kevin Atticks from the Winery Association will discuss with the Board having a festival at the

Carroll Creek Park and does not want any fencing as the public will be walking through the park.

- 6. **Orioles Club** Mr. Snyder asked if the club had revived their Charter. Ms. Vahle said they paid their taxes and corrected their problems.
- 7. **Wine Festival/Farmers Market** Kevin Atticks and Jade Oster the Maryland Winery Association met with the Board to discuss the Wine Festival and Farmers Market. They want their vendors to be able to serve wine tastings and sell wine in a sealed bottle without a barrier. The have had one day festivals in two other areas of the state and did not have any problems. They encourage people to come in and sample or purchase and leave. Everyone will be checked for ID and given wristbands. The tickets are \$15 for sampling. The Board approved this request on a trial basis providing the Inspector approves everything, but if anything goes wrong will never approve this request again.
- 8. Decision Required: Violation Hearing

RE: Raymond Brown, Dawna Keyser & Max Keyser for the use of Brown's Discount Liquors, Inc. t/a Brown's Discount Liquors 908 E. Patrick Street Frederick, Maryland 21701

Class A, Off Sale, Beer, Wine & Liquor License Number 11AL 1053 FCLB Case Number: 4805

The Board held a violation hearing on a charge that on December 29, 2010, either directly or through an employee of the licensee allegedly sold alcoholic beverages to a minor, Kyle Carter. Mr. McCain swore in the licensees and potential witnesses. (See attached Sign In Sheet). Mr. Winters, Attorney, stated the licensees did not intend to contest the charges. Mr. Brown, licensee stated his policy for ID carding is that if they look younger then him then they need to be carded. This has been the policy for over 10 years and they discuss this procedure daily. They had just had a meeting to discuss this procedure of carding and directly after the meeting the employee failed to ID a patron.

MOTION ONE: Mr. Snyder made a motion for a fine of \$1,000

and a 30 day suspension of the license if the violation occurs again within a year.

SECOND: Mr. Cline seconded the motion.

VOTE: Mr. Snyder – Aye

Mr. Cline – Aye Mr. McClellan – Aye

The vote was unanimous. Aye - 3 Nay - 0 (Motion Passed)

9. Decision Required: Violation Hearing

RE: Gary Zorechak & Barbara

Zorechak

for the use of Frederick Wine

House, LLC t/a Frederick

Wine House 405 W. 7th Street

Frederick, Maryland 21701

Class A, Off Sale, Beer & Light Wine License Number 11AW 2144 SUWT

FCLB Case Number: 4810

The Board held a violation hearing on a charge that on December 29, 2010 either directly or through an employee, the licensee allegedly sold alcoholic beverages to a minor, Kyle Carter. Mr. McCain swore in the licensees and potential witnesses. (See attached Sign In Sheet). The licensees pled guilty and stated that they had made some changes for identifying underage patrons and that he had been distracted and it was a very busy night and he had recently been robbed at gunpoint.

MOTION ONE: Mr. Cline made a motion for a fine of \$500 and a 30 day suspension of the license if the violation

occurs again.

SECOND: Mr. Snyder seconded the motion.

VOTE: Mr. Cline – Aye

Mr. Snyder – Aye Mr. McClellan – Aye

The vote was unanimous. Aye - 3 Nay - 0

(Motion Passed)

10. Decision Required: Transfer/Relocation

TRANSFER/RELOCATION: RE: Gary Joseph Zorechak and

Barbara V. Zorechak for the use of Frederick Wine House

LLC

t/a Frederick Wine House

405 W 7th Street

Frederick, MD 21701

Class A, Off Sale, Beer and Light Wine Sunday Permit & Wine/Beer Tasting

TRANSFER TO: RE: Gary Joseph Zorechak and

Barbara V. Zorechak for the use of Frederick Wine House

LLC

t/a Frederick Wine House 7820 Wormans Mill Rd., St L

Frederick, MD 21701

Class A, Off Sale, Beer and Light Wine Sunday Permit & Wine/Beer Tasting

The Board held a hearing for a transfer of the location of the license. Ms. Vahle swore in the applicants (See attached Sign In Sheet). The pending items are: Final Lease, Workers Comp, Retail Sales Tax License, manager's phone number, Zoning, final Occupancy Permit and final Fire Marshal inspection and the Liquor Inspector.

MOTION ONE: Mr. Snyder made a motion for a conditional

approval until June 13, 2011.

SECOND: Mr. Cline seconded the motion.

VOTE: Mr. Snyder – Aye

Mr. Cline – Aye Mr. McClellan – Aye

The vote was unanimous. Aye - 3 Nay - 0 (Motion Passed)

11. Decision Required: Approval of the Public Meeting Minutes for March 21, 2011, March 30, 2011 and April 4, 2011.

The Public Meeting Minutes of March 21, 2011, March 30, 2011 and April 4, 2011 were approved.

MOTION: Mr. Snyder made a motion to approve the minutes

for March 21, 2011, March 30, 2011 and April 4,

2011.

SECOND: Mr. Cline seconded the motion.

FURTHER DISCUSSION

ON THE MOTION: There was no further discussion on the motion.

VOTE: Mr. Snyder – Aye

Mr. Cline-Aye

Mr. McClellan-Aye

The vote was unanimous. Aye - 3 Nay - 0 (Motion Passed)

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 9:06 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Vahle, Administrator

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Prepared by Sandra Rees